

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: YAMADA, Yoshiji, et al.

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For: METHOD OF DIAGNOSING RISK OF RESTENOSIS AFTER CORONARY ANGIOPLASTY

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED March 15, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 13, 2007

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated March 15, 2007.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group 1: Claims 1, 5, 9, and 13; Group 2: Claims 2, 6, 10, and 14; Group 3: Claims 3, 7, 11, and 15; and Group 4: Claims 4, 8, 12, and 16.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group 1: Claims 1, 5, 9, and 13 for prosecution in this application. Further, applicant elect polymorphisms (1), (3), and (4) described for each and all of claims 1, 5, 9 and 13 in the elected Group 1.

This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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